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In re application of

Leslie Robert WATSON et al.

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SAMPLE DISTRIBUTION APPARATUS/SYSTEM

AMENDMENT

Commissioner for Patents

Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Responsive to the Official Action of July 2, 2002,
please amend the above-identified application as follows:

IN THE ABSTRACT:

6 / Insert the Abstract of the Disclosure as on the
accompanying separate sheet.

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Make of record the accompanying substitute
specification with a marked-up copy of the original
specification.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Amend claim 1 as follows:

--1. (amended) A sample container handling apparatus
for a pathology sample distribution system having a plurality of
containers of different types of container configurations, and

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